FORTY-SEVENTH DAY

(Monday, April 5, 1937)

The House met at 10:00 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Speaker Calvert.

The roll of the House was called, and the following Members present:

Mr. Speaker Hartzog Adkins Heflin Alexander Herzik Holland Alsup Hoskins Amos Huddleston Baker Hull Bates Hyder Beckworth Jackson Rell Blankenship James Boethel Johnson Bond Boyer Bradbury Bradford Bridgers Jones of Wise Broadfoot Keefe Brown Keith Burton Kelt Cagle Callan Kenyon King Carssow Knetsch Cathey Cauthorn Langdon Lankford Celaya Cleveland

Davis of Jasper Davison of Fisher Davisson of Eastland Dean Deglandon Derden Dickison Dolling England Farmer Felty

Davis of Haskell

Colquitt

Fielden Fox Gibson Graves Hamilton Hankamer Hanna Harbin Hardin Harper

Harrell Harris of Archer Harris of Dallas Harris of Dickens Johnson of Ellis

Jones of Angelina Jones of Atascosa Jones of Falls

Lanning Leath Deonard Leyendecker Little

London Lucas Mann Mauritz Mays McConnell McCracken McDonald McFarland McKee McKinney Metcalfe. Moffett

Morris Morse Newton Nicholson Oliver Palmer

of Travis

Pope Powell Prescott Quinn

Ragsdale Reader Reed of Bowie Reed of Dallas Rhodes Riddle

Roark

Russell

Rutta

Ross

of Tarrant

Loggins

Monkhouse

Patterson of Mills Patterson

Smith of Hopkins

Smith

of Matagorda Smith of Tarrant Stevenson

Stinson Stocks Talbert Tarwater Tennant Tennyson Thornberry Thornton Vale Schuenemann Waggoner Walker

Settle Weldon Sewell Sharpe Westbrook Shell Winfree Wood Simpson Skaggs Worley

Absent

Howard

Absent—Excused

Fuchs Kern

Petsch

A quorum was announced present. Rev. George W. Coltrin, Chaplain, offered prayer.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED

The following Members were granted leaves of absence on account of important business.

Mr. Petsch for today, on motion of Mr. Bell.

Mr. Fuchs for this morning, on motion of Mr. Davis of Haskell.

The following Member was granted leave of absence on account of illness:

Mr. Kern for today and the balance of the week, on motion of Mr. Smith of Hopkins.

HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING

Mr. Quinn moved to introduce, at this time, and have placed on first reading, House Bill No. 1060.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas-109

Adkins Alexander Alsup Amos Beckworth Rell

Blankenship Boethel Bond Boyer Bradbury Bradford

Bridgers Levendecker Burton Little Cagle Loggins Callan London Carssow Lucas Cathey Mann Cauthorn Mauritz Cleveland Mays McCracken Davis of Haskell Davison of Fisher McDonald Davisson McFarland of Eastland McKee Derden McKinney Dickison Metcalfe Dollins Moffett England Monkhouse Farmer Morse Felty Newton Fielden Nicholson Gibson Oliver Graves Powell Hamilton Quinn Hankamer Ragsdale Reader Hanna Reed of Bowie Harbin Hardin Reed of Dallas Harper Rhodes Harrell Roark Harris of Dallas Schuenemann Harris of Dickens Settle Hartzog Sharpe Heflin Shell Herzik Simpson Skaggs Smith of Hopkins Hoskins Huddleston Hyder Smith Jackson of Matagorda Stevenson James Johnson of Ellis Stinson Johnson Stocks of Tarrant Talbert Jones of Falls Jones of Wise Tarwater Tennant Kelt Thornberry Kenyon Thornton King Vale Knetsch Walker Lankford Weldon Lanning Winfree Worley Leath

Nays—6

Deglandon Russell McConnell Waggoner Ross Wood

Absent

Baker Davis of Jasper
Bates Dean
Broadfoot Fox
Brown Harris of Archer
Celaya Holland
Colquitt Howard

Hull Patterson Jones of Angelina of Travis Jones of Atascosa Pope Keefe Prescott Keith Riddle Langdon Rutta Sewell Leonard Morris Smith of Tarrant Palmer Tennyson Patterson of Mills Westbrook

Absent—Excused

Fuchs Kern Petsch

The Speaker then laid the bill before the House, it was read first time, and referred to the appropriate committee, as follows:

By Mr. Quinn, Mr. McKee and Mr. Nicholson:

H. B. No. 1060, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend House Bill No. 194, Chapter 292, of the Forty-first Legislature at the Regular Session, the same being an Act entitled 'An Act to aid the City of Port Arthur, Texas, situated in Commissioners' Precinct No. 2 of Jefferson County, Texas, in constructing and maintaining sea walls, breakwaters and shore protections in order to protect said city from calamitous overflows,' by extending the provisions of said Act for a period of ten years, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Heflin moved to introduce, at this time, and have placed on first reading, House Bill No. 1061.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—128

Adkins Cathey Alexander Cauthorn Alsup Celaya Amos Cleveland Baker Colquitt Davis of Jasper Beckworth Davison of Fisher Bell Blankenship Davisson Boethel of Eastland Bond Deglandon Boyer Derden Bradbury Dickison Broadfoot Dollins Brown England Burton Farmer Cagle Felty Callan Fielden Carssow Gibson

Graves	Morris
Hamilton	Morse
Hankamer	Newton
Hanna	Nicholson
Harbin	Oliver
	Patterson of Mills
Hardin	
Harper	Patterson
Harrell	of Travis
Harris of Archer Harris of Dallas	Pope
Harris of Dallas	Powell
Harris of Dickens	Prescott
Heflin	Quinn
Herzik	Reader
Hoskins	Reed of Bowie
Huddleston	Reed of Dallas
Hull	Rhodes
Hyder	Riddle
Jackson	Roark
James	Russell
Johnson of Ellis	Rutta
Johnson of Emis	
Johnson	Schuenemann
of Tarrant	Settle
Jones of Angelina	Sewell
Jones of Atascosa	Sharpe
Jones of Falls	Shell
Jones of Wise	Simpson
Kelt	Skaggs
King	Smith of Hopkins
Langdon	Smith
Lankford	of Matagorda
Lanning	Smith of Tarrant
Leath	Stevenson
Leonard	Stinson
Leyendecker	Stocks
T:141	Talbert
Little	Tarwater
Loggins	Tarwater
London	Tennant
Lucas	Tennyson
Mann	Thornberry
Mauritz	Thornton
Mays	Vale
McConnell	Waggoner
McDonald	Walker
McFarland	Weldon
McKee	Westbrook
Metcalfe	Winfree
Moffett	Wood
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Bates	Howard
Bradford	Keefe
Bridgers	Keith
Davis of Haskell	Kenyon
Dean	Knetsch
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McCracken

McKinney Ragsdale

Petsch

Absent-Excused

Fox Hartzog

Holland

Fuchs

 \mathbf{Kern}

The Speaker then laid the bill be-fore the House, it was read first time, and referred to the appropriate com-mittee, as follows:

By Mr. Heflin:

H. B. No. 1061, A bill to be entitled "An Act requiring owners of cattle affected with bang's disease to brand and tag them for identification after they have been tested and found to have such disease and providing a have such disease, and providing a penalty, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to the Committee on Live Stock and Stock Raising.

Mr. Dickison moved to introduce, at this time, and have placed on first reading, House Bill No. 1062.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—129			
Adkins	Harbin		
Alexander	Hardin		
Alsup	Harper		
Amos	Harris of Archer		
Baker	Harris of Dallas		
Bates	Hartzog		
Beckworth	Heflin		
Bell	Herzik		
Blankenship	Holland		
Boethel	Hoskins		
Bond	Hull		
Boyer	Hyder		
Bradbury	Jackson		
Bradford	James		
Bridgers	Johnson of Ellis		
Broadfoot	Johnson		
Brown	of Tarrant		
Burton	Jones of Angelina		
Cagle	Jones of Atascosa		
Callan	Jones of Falls		
Carssow	Jones of Wise		
Cathey	Keith		
Cauthorn	Kelt		
Celaya	King		
Cleveland	Knetsch		
Davis of Jasper	Langdon		
Davison of Fisher	Lankford		
Davisson	Lanning		
of Eastland	Leath		
Deglandon	Leonard		
Derden	Leyendecker		
Dickison	Loggins		
Dollins	London		
England	Lucas		
Farmer	Mann		
Felty	Mauritz		
Fielden	Mays		
Gibson	McConnell McCrooker		
Graves	McCracken		
Hamilton	McDonald McDonland		
Hankamer	McFarland		

McKee

Hanna

McKinney Shell Metcalfe Simpson Moffett Skaggs Smith of Hopkins Monkhouse Morse Smith Newton of Matagorda Palmer Smith of Tarrant Patterson of Mills Stevenson Patterson Stinson of Travis Stocks Pope Talbert Prescott Tarwater Quinn Tennant Ragsdale Tennyson Reader Thornberry Reed of Bowie Thornton Reed of Dallas Vale Rhodes Waggoner Roark Walker Weldon Ross Russell Westbrook Rutta Winfree Schuenemann Wood Worley Settle Sewell

Nays-1

Colquitt

Absent

Davis of Haskell Kenyon Dean Little Fox Morris Harrell Nicholson Harris of Dickens Oliver Howard Powell Huddleston Riddle Keefe Sharpe

Absent—Excused

Fuchs Kern

Petsch

The Speaker then laid the bill before the House, it was read first time, and referred to the appropriate committee, as follows:

By Mr. Dickison, Mr. Carssow, Mr. Hartzog, Mr. Prescott and Mr. James:

H. B. No. 1062, A bill to be entitled "An Act prohibiting Boards of Trustees of all school districts in this State from employing any person as a teacher who has not been a resident of this State one year immediately preceding the date of employ-ment, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to the Committee on Education.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION ON FIRST READING

Mr. Patterson of Travis moved to introduce, at this time, and have Kenyon

placed on first reading, House Joint Resolution No. 53.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—123

King Alsup Knetsch Amos Baker Bates Beckworth Bell Blankenship Boethel Bond Bradbury Bridgers Broadfoot Brown Burton Cagle Callan Carssow Cathey Cauthorn Celaya Cleveland Davis of Jasper Davison of Fisher Davisson of Eastland Deglandon Derden Dickison Dollins England Felty Fielden Gibson Hamilton Hankamer Hanna Harbin Hardin Harper Harris of Archer Hartzog Heflin Herzik Holland Hoskins Huddleston Hyder James Johnson of Ellis

Johnson

Keith

Kelt

of Tarrant

Jones of Falls

Jones of Wise

Jones of Angelina

Jones of Atascosa

Langdon Lankford Lanning Leath Leonard Levendecker Little Loggins London Lucas Mann Mauritz McConnell McCracken McDonald McFarland McKee Metcalfe Moffett Monkhouse Morris Morse Newton Nicholson Oliver Patterson of Mills of Travis

Patterson Pope Powell Prescott Quinn Reader Reed of Bowie Reed of Dallas Rhodes

Riddle Roark Ross Russell Rutta Schuenemann Settle Sewell

Shell Simpson

Skaggs Smith of Hopkins Smith

of Matagorda Smith of Tarrant Stevenson

Stinson Stocks Talbert Tennant Tennyson
Thornberry
Thornton
Vale
Waggoner
Walker

Weldon Westbrook Winfree Wood Worley

Nays-6

Adkins Boyer Colquitt Farmer Graves

Harris of Dallas

Absent

Alexander
Bradford
Davis of Haskell
Dean
Fox
Harrell
Harris of Dickens

Jackson
Keefe
Mays
McKinney
Ragsdale
Sharpe

Harris of Dickens Sharpe Howard Tarwater Hull

Absent—Excused

Fuchs Kern Petsch

The Speaker then laid the resolution before the House, it was read first time, and referred to the appropriate committee, as follows:

By Mr. Patterson of Travis:

H. J. R. No. 53, Proposing an amendment to Article IX, Section I of the Constitution of the State of Texas by adding thereto a section to be known as Section I (a), providing that adjacent counties may, under such rules as the Legislature may prescribe, consolidate; providing for an election on the question of adoption or rejection of such an amendment and making an appropriation therefor; providing for the proclamation and publication thereof; and prescribing the form of ballot.

Referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 67 WITH SENATE AMENDMENTS

Mr. Knetsch moved that the Rule, relative to the making of motions to reconsider, be suspended, at this time, for the purpose of making a motion to reconsider the vote by which the House heretofore refused to concur in Senate amendment to House Bill No. 67, and requested the appointment of a conference committee.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Knetsch moved to reconsider Harrell the vote by which the House refused Harris of Archer

to concur in Senate amendments to House Bill No. 67.

Question recurring on the motion to reconsider, yeas and nays were demanded.

The motion to reconsider was lost by the following vote:

Yeas-21

Boethel Monkhouse Broadfoot Morris Cagle Powell Callan Quinn England Settle Harris of Dickens Sharpe Knetsch Shell Mann Smith McDonald of Matagorda

McKee Stevenson Metcalfe Tarwater

Nays-112

Harris of Dallas Alexander Hartzog Alsup Amos Heflin Baker Herzik Bates Holland Beckworth Hoskins Huddleston Blankenship Bond Hull Boyer Hyder Bradbury Jackson Bridgers James Brown Johnson of Ellis Burton Johnson Carssow of Tarrant Cathey Jones of Angelina Jones of Atascosa Cauthorn Jones of Falls Celaya Cleveland Jones of Wise Colquitt Kelt

Davis of Jasper Kenyon Davison of Fisher King Langdon Davisson of Eastland Lankford Deglandon Lanning Derden Leath Leonard Dickison Leyendecker Dollins Farmer Loggins Felty Fielden

London Lucas Mauritz Fox Gibson Mays McConnell Graves McCracken Hamilton McFarland Hankamer McKinney Hanna Moffett Harbin Morse Hardin Harper Oliver Palmer

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Patterson Smith of Hopkins of Travis Smith of Tarrant Pope Stinson Stocks Prescott Ragsdale Talbert Reader Tennant Reed of Bowie Tennyson Reed of Dallas Thornberry Rhodes Thornton Riddle Vale Roark Waggoner Ross Walker Weldon Russell Rutta Winfree Sewell booW Simpson Worley Skaggs

Absent

Adkins Keith
Bell Little
Bradford Newton
Davis of Haskell Nicholson
Dean Schuenemann
Howard Westbrook
Keefe

Absent-Excused

Fuchs Kern Petsch

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 67

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following conference committee on House Bill No. 67:

Messrs. Knetsch, Stevenson, Tarwater, Thornton and Hankamer.

HOUSE BILL NO. 897 RECOMMITTED

Mr. McKinney moved that House Bill No. 897 be recommitted to the Committee on Insurance.

Mr. Amos moved to table the motion by Mr. McKinney.

The motion to table was lost.

Question recurring on the motion to recommit House Bill No. 897, it prevailed.

Mr. McConnell moved to reconsider the vote by which House Bill No. 897 was recommitted to the Committee on Insurance.

Mr. Harris of Dallas moved to table the motion by Mr. McConnell.

Question recurring on the motion to table, yeas and nays were demanded. The motion to table prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas-63

Knetsch Alexander Beckworth Leath Blankenship Leonard Boethel Leyendecker Bond Little Boyer Loggins Burton Mauritz Callan Mays Cathey McDonald Celaya McFarland Cleveland Monkhouse Colquitt Morse Davis of Jasper Nicholson Davison of Fisher Patterson Derden of Travis Dickison Reed of Dallas England Riddle Gibson Settle Hamilton SewellHankamer Sharpe Hanna Smith Hardin of Matagorda Harper Stevenson Harris of Archer Stinson Harris of Dallas Stocks Hoskins Talbert Huddleston Tennant Jackson Tennyson James Thornberry Johnson Thornton of Tarrant Vale Jones of Angelina Walker Kenyon Wood

Nays-55

Adkins Jones of Falls Amos Jones of Wise Bell Kelt Bradbury King Lankford Broadfoot Brown Lanning Cagle London Carssow Lucas Cauthorn Mann Davisson McConnell of Eastland McKee Deglandon Metcalfe Dollins Moffett Farmer Morris Fielden Palmer Graves Patterson of Mills Harbin Prescott Harrell Ragsdale Harris of Dickens Reader Heflin Reed of Bowie Herzik Rhodes Roark Hyder Johnson of Ellis Ross Jones of Atascosa Russell

Rutta Smith of Tarrant
Simpson Waggoner
Skaggs Weldon
Smith of Hopkins Worley

Present-Not Voting

Powell

Absent

Alsup Keith Baker Langdon McCracken McKinney Bates Bradford Bridgers Newton Oliver Davis of Haskell Pope Dean Felty Quinn Schuenemann Fox Hartzog Shell Holland Tarwater

Absent-Excused

Fuchs Kern

Howard

Hull

Keefe

Petsch

Westbrook

Winfree

RELATIVE TO HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 34

Mr. Riddle moved that House Joint Resolution No. 34, reported adversely, with a minority favorable report, be printed.

The motion was lost.

EXPRESSING APPRECIATION TO MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE

The Speaker laid before the House, and had read the following communication:

Cooper, Texas, April 3, 1937

Hon. Robert W. Calvert, Speaker of the House of Representatives. Austin, Texas

Dear Sir:

May I take this means of expressing my thanks and appreciation to the Members of the House of Representatives for their thoughtfulness in sending the beautiful flowers.

I have missed the association of every Member and shall be looking forward to the time when my health will permit me to be back.

Yours very truly, TROY E. KERN.

RELATIVE TO THE RESOLU-TION PERIOD

On motion of Mr. Beckworth, the House dispensed with the consideration of resolutions, at this time.

RELATIVE TO SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLU-TION NO. 1

Mr. McKee moved that the Conference Committee on Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1 be instructed to report Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1 to the House immediately.

Mr. Metcalfe raised a point of order, on further consideration of the motion, on the ground that the motion comes too late inasmuch as the conference committee has heretofore been appointed.

The Speaker sustained the point of order.

HOUSE BILL NO. 662 ON PASSAGE TO ENGROSSMENT

The Speaker laid before the House, as unfinished business, on its passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 662, A bill to be entitled "An Act granting aid to the property and inhabitants of Sabine and San Augustine Counties, Texas, because of the public calamities which have occurred in said Counties by reason of floods and storms which have caused great destruction of property and loss of life; remitting, releasing, granting and donating to said Counties all of said ad valorem taxes for general revenue purposes levied and collected on property in said County, including the rolling stock of rail-roads for a period of five years, beginning with the taxable year 1937, for the use of said Counties for the purpose of constructing improvements to prevent soil erosion, flood control, irrigation and drainage projects and road building, and providing that said taxes shall be levied, assessed and collected in the manner now provided by law and that the assessor and collector in said Counties shall forward his report to the Comptroller covering said collections and shall pay over to the County Treasurer of said Counties all moneys collected by him at the end of each month except such amounts as may be allowed by law for collecting and assessing such taxes; . . . etc., and declaring an emergency."

The bill having heretofore been read second time.

Mr. Westbrook offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House Bill No. 662, by striking out all below the enacting

clause and inserting in lieu thereof

the following:

"Section 1. There is hereby donated and granted by the State of Texas to Sabine and San Augustine Counties all of the State ad valorem taxes levied and collected in each respective county for general revenue purposes upon the property and from the persons in each respective county including ad valorem taxes on the rolling stock belonging to railroad companies which shall be ascertained and apportioned as now provided by law for a period of five years be-ginning with the taxable year, 1937. Said taxes so collected in each of said respective counties shall be used by the County Commissioners' Court of said counties for the following State purposes: constructing flood control works and improvements in said counties for improvements to prevent soil erosion and for soil conservation purposes, for irrigation and drainage projects, reforestation, and road building, improvements and maintenance, and law enforcement. Taxes hereby donated shall be levied, assessed and collected as now provided by law except that the Assessor and Collector of taxes in each respective county shall forward his report to the State Comptroller of Public Accounts as provided by law and shall pay over to the Treasurer of each respective county all moneys collected by him at the end of each month and during the period covered by this donation, except such amounts as now allowed by law for collecting and assessing the same and shall forward a duplicate copy of the receipts given him by the County Treasurer for the said money to the Comptroller.

"Section 2. The intent and purpose of this Act is to donate to the respective counties designated herein that part of the State ad valorem taxes levied and collected in each respective county to be used by said counties for the purposes herein be-

fore set out. "Section 3. That if any section, clause, paragraph or sentence of this Act be declared unconstitutional, it shall not affect the remainder of this Act, and the Legislature hereby declares that it would have passed this Act without such invalid portions.

"Section 4. The fact that the United | Heflin States Government has purchased Holland over 70% of the land in Sabine Hoskins

County, and 41% of the land in San Augustine County, thereby taking off the tax rolls of the said counties a very great portion of the valuation in each of said counties rendering them incapable of carrying on a county government, and the further fact that said counties have not and can not recover from the disastrous results instant to the calamitous circumstances hereinbefore enumerated creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each House be, and the same is hereby suspended, and this Act shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and it is so enacted."

WESTBROOK, KEEFE.

Mr. Moffett moved the previous question on the pending amendment, and the passage of House Bill No. 662 to engrossment, and the main question was ordered.

Question first recurring on the pending amendment by Mr. Westbrook, it was adopted.

By unanimous consent of the House, the caption of the bill was ordered amended to conform to all changes and with the body of the bill.

Question recurring on the engrossment of House Bill No. 662, yeas and nays were demanded.

House Bill No. 662 was passed to engrossment by the following vote:

Yeas—78

Amos Bates Hull **Bover** Bradford Brown Carssow Cauthorn Celaya Cleveland Davis of Haskell Keefe Davis of Jasper Kelt Derden Dickison King Dollins Farmer Leath Fox Hankamer Harbin Little Hardin Loggins Hartzog Lucas Mann Mauritz Mays

Huddleston Hyder James Johnson of Ellis Johnson of Tarrant Jones of Atascosa Jones of Wise Kenyon Lanning Leonard Leyendecker

McCracken Schuenemann McDonald Sewell McKinney Shell Moffett Simpson Monkhouse Smith of Matagorda Morse Newton Smith of Tarrant Oliver Stevenson Palmer Stocks Patterson of Mills Talbert Pope l'hornberry Prescott Thornton Vale Quinn Reader Walker Rhodes Weldon Roark Westbrook Rutta Winfree

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Adkins Jackson Jones of Falls Alexander Alsup Keith Baker Knetsch Beckworth Langdon Rell Lankford Blankenship London Boethel McConnell Bond McFarland Bradbury Morris Bridgers Patterson of Travis Burton Callan Powell Cathey Reed of Bowie Reed of Dallas Colquitt Davison of Fisher Riddle Deglandon Ross Russell England Fielden Settle Gibson Sharpe Graves Skaggs Hamilton Stinson Hanna Tennant Harper Tennyson Harris of Archer Waggoner Harris of Dallas Wood Harris of Dickens Worley

Present-Not Voting

Herzik

Absent

Jones of Angelina Broadfoot Cagle McKee Davisson Metcalfe of Eastland Nicholson Dean Ragsdale Felty Smith of Hopkins Harrell Tarwater

Absent—Excused

Fuchs Kern

Howard

Petsch

MOTION TO TAKE UP HOUSE BILL NO. 662

Mr. Westbrook moved that the constitutional rule, requiring bills to be read on three several days, be suspended, and that House Bill No. 662 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion was lost by the following vote (not receiving the necessary four-fifths vote):

Yeas-81

Alsup Leath Amos Leonard Bates Leyendecker Bell Little Boyer Loggins Bradford Lucas Broadfoot Mann Brown Mauritz Carssow Mays McCracken Cathey McDonald Cauthorn Celaya McFarland Cleveland McKinney Davis of Haskell Moffett Davis of Jasper Morse Davisson Newton of Eastland Oliver Derden Palmer Dickison Powell Dollins Prescott Farmer Quinn Fox Ragsdale Hankamer Reader Harbin Rhodes Hardin Roark Hartzog Rutta Heflin Schuenemann Holland Shell Hoskins Simpson Huddleston Smith Hull of Matagorda Hyder Smith of Tarrant Johnson of Ellis

Stevenson Stocksof Tarrant Talbert

Jones of Angelina Thornberry Jones of Atascosa Thornton Jones of Wise Vale Walker Keefe Weldon Kelt Westbrook Kenyon Winfree Lanning

Johnson

Nays-50

Bond Adkins Alexander Bradbury Beckworth Bridgers Blankenship Burton Boethel Callan

Present-Not Voting

Felty

Herzik

Absent

Baker	McKee
Cagle	Monkhouse
Dean	Patterson of Mills
Harper	Pope
Harrell	Smith of Hopkins
Howard	Tarwater -
King	

Absent-Excused

Fuchs Kern

Petsch

HOUSE BILL NO. 49 ON PASSAGE TO ENGROSSMENT

The Speaker laid before the House, as pending business, on its passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 49, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 2620 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, changing the name of The North Texas Junior Agricultural, Mechanical and Industrial College at Arlington to The North Texas Agricultural, Mechanical and Industrial College at Arlington, and amending Article 2621 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, providing a four-year course of study for said college, and declaring an emergency."

The bill having heretofore been read second time, with amendment by Mr. Prescott, pending.

Mr. Mays moved the previous question on the pending amendment, and the passage of House Bill No. 49 to engrossment, and the motion was duly seconded.

Question recurring on the motion for the main question, yeas and nays were demanded.

The roll of the House was called, and the vote announced as follows: Yeas, 67; nays, 63.

A verification of the vote was requested.

The roll of the "yeas" and "nays" was again called, and the verified vote resulted as follows:

Yeas-64

	Mr. Speaker	Loggins
	Alsup	London
	Amos	Lucas
	Baker	Mann
	Bates	Mays
	Bond	McConnell
	Bridgers	McCracken
	Broadfoot	McKinney
	Callan	Morse
	Cathey	Newton
	Cauthorn	Oliver
	Cleveland	Patterson of Mills
	Davis of Haskell	Prescott
	Davis of Jasper	Reader
	Deglandon	Reed of Bowie
	Dollins	Reed of Dallas
	England	Rhodes
	Farmer	Sewell
	Hamilton	Shell
ļ	Harbin	Simpson
l	Heflin	Skaggs
	Hoskins	Smith of Hopkins
i	Huddleston	Smith
Į	Hull	of Matagorda
I	Johnson	Smith of Tarrant
ĺ	of Tarrant	Stinson
ļ	Kelt	Stocks
I	Kenyon	Talbert
ì	King	Tennant
ļ	Lankford	Vale
١	Lanning	Weldon
Į	Leath	Westbrook
١	Leonard	Winfree
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Nays-63

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Adkins	Derden	
Alexander	Dickison	
Beckworth	Fielden	
Bell	Fox	
Blankenship	Gibson	
Boyer	Hankamer	
Bradbury	Hanna	
Bradford	Hardin	
Brown	Harris of Archer	
Burton	Harris of Dallas	
Cagle	Harris of Dickens	
Carssow	Hartzog	
Celaya	Herzik	
Colquitt	Hyder	

Davison of Fisher Jackson

Farmer

James Patterson Johnson of Ellis of Travis Jones of Atascosa Powell Jones of Falls Quinn Jones of Wise Ross Keith Rutta Knetsch Schuenemann Langdon Settle Leyendecker Sharpe Mauritz Stevenson McDonald Tarwater McFarland Tennyson McKee Thornberry Metcalfe Thornton Moffett Waggoner Wood Morris Palmer Worley

Present-Not Voting

Felty

Harper

Absent

Little Boethel Davisson Monkhouse of Eastland Nicholson Dean Pope Ragsdale Riddle Graves Harrell Holland Roark Howard Russell Jones of Angelina Walker K.eefe

Absent-Excused

Fuchs Kern Petsch

The Speaker announced that the motion for the main question prevailed.

Question first recurring on the amendment by Mr. Prescott, it was adopted.

By unanimous consent of the House, the caption of the bill was ordered amended to conform to all changes and with the body of the bill.

Question recurring on the engrossment of House Bill No. 49, year and nays were demanded.

House Bill No. 49 was then passed to engrossment by the following vote:

Yeas-76

Amos Cleveland
Baker Davis of Haskell
Bates Davis of Jasper
Bond Davisson
Broadfoot of Eastland
Callan Deglandon
Cathey Dickison
Celaya Dollins

Hamilton Hankamer Hanna Harbin Hardin Harper Harris of Dallas Hartzog Heflin Holland Huddleston Hull Hyder Jackson James Johnson of Tarrant Kelt King Lankford Lanning Leath Leonard Leyendecker Loggins Lucas Mann Mays McConnell McCracken McKinney

Monkhouse Morse Newton Oliver Patterson of Mills. Pope Prescott Quinn Reader Reed of Dallas Rhodes Riddle Rutta Schuenemann Settle Sewell Simpson Skaggs Smith of Hopkins Smith of Matagorda Smith of Tarrant Stinson Talbert Tennant Thornton Vale Weldon Westbrook Winfree Worley

Nays--57

Adkins Jones of Wise Alexander Keith Alsup Kenyon Beckworth Knetsch Bell Langdon Blankenship Mauritz Boethel McDonald Bradbury McFarland McKee Bradford Metcalfe Bridgers Moffett Brown Burton Morris Nicholson Cagle Carssow Palmer Patterson Colquitt Davison of Fisher of Travis Powell Derden Reed of Bowie England Roark Felty Fielden Ross Sharpe Fox Stevenson Gibson Stocks Graves Harris of Archer Tarwater Harris of Dickens Tennyson Thornberry Hoskins Johnson of Ellis Waggoner Walker Jones of Atascosa Jones of Falls Wood

Present-Not Voting

Herzik

Absent

Keefe Boyer Little Cauthorn London Dean Harrell Ragsdale Howard Russell Jones of Angelina Shell

Absent—Excused

Fuchs Kern

Petsch

Mr. Hull moved to reconsider the vote by which House Bill No. 49 was passed to engrossment, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

MOTION TO TAKE UP HOUSE BILL NO. 49

Mr. Johnson of Tarrant moved that the constitutional rule, requiring bills to be read on three several days, be suspended, and that House Bill No. 49 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion was lost by the following vote (not receiving the necessary four-fifths vote):

Yeas-81

Hull Amos Jackson Baker Bates James Bond Johnson Broadfoot of Tarrant Jones of Wise Callan Kelt Carssow King Cathey Langdon Cauthorn Lankford Celaya Lanning Cleveland Davis of Haskell Davis of Jasper Leath Leonard Leyendecker Davisson of Eastland Loggins Deglandon Lucas Dollins Mann Mauritz Farmer Mays Hamilton McConnell Hankamer McCracken Hanna McKinney Harbin Hardin Moffett Harris of Dallas Monkhouse Hartzog Morse Newton Heflin Holland Oliver Patterson of Mills Huddleston

Smith of Hopkins Pope Smith Prescott of Matagorda Quinn Smith of Tarrant Reader Reed of Dallas Stevenson Stinson Rhodes Talbert Riddle Tarwater Russell Tennant Rutta Schuenemann Thornton Sewell Vale Shell Weldon Winfree Simpson Worley Skaggs

Navs-52

Jones of Atascosa Adkins Alexander Jones of Falls Keith Alsup Beckworth Kenyon Knetsch Bell McDonald Blankenship McFarland Boethel McKee Bradbury Bradford Metcalfe Morris **Bridgers** Brown Nicholson Palmer Burton Patterson Cagle Colquitt of Travis Davison of Fisher Powell Reed of Bowie Derden Roark England Felty Ross Fielden Settle Sharpe Fox Stocks Gibson Graves Tennyson Thornberry Harper Harris of Archer Waggoner Harris of Dickens Walker

Present—Not Voting

Wood

Herzik

Hoskins

Johnson of Ellis

Absent

Boyer Jones of Angelina Dean Keefe Dickison Little Harrell London Howard Ragsdale Hyder Westbrook

Absent—Excused

Kern

Fuchs Fetsch

HOUSE BILL NO. 198 ON PASSAGE TO ENGROSSMENT

The Speaker laid before the House, as unfinished business, on its passage to engrossment.

H. B. No. 198, A bill to be entitled

"An Act levying and providing for the payment of a State occupation tax on the producing, distributing, exporting, importing and sale of nat-ural gas with certain exceptions; requiring reports to be made and records to be kept by those engaged in the business, and providing for the inspection thereof by certain public officials, their employees or representatives; prescribing penalties for failure to comply with the provisions of this Act; providing for the payment of interest and penalties on de-linquent taxes due hereunder; pro-viding that the State may compel meters to be placed on natural gas wells and natural gas pipe lines; pro-viding for suits to enforce the collection of delinquent taxes, interest, penalties and costs by certain officials and fixing the venue therefor; providing that one-fourth of the tax collected shall be paid into the State Treasury for account of the Public Free School Fund, one-fourth for account of the Old Age Pension Fund and one-half for account of the General Fund; providing that should any part of this bill be declared unconstitutional the remainder of the bill shall remain in full force and effect; the fact that the State Treasury is in a depleted condition, and the fact that millions of dollars worth of natural gas is being produced and sold with-out paying a reasonable tax, therefore, an emergency is declared."

The bill having heretofore been read second time, with committee amendment by Mr. Derden, and amendment by Mr. Sharpe, as substituted by amendment by Mr. Boyer and Mr. Little, pending.

Mr. London moved the previous question on the pending amendments, and the passage of House Bill No. 198 to engrossment, and the motion was duly seconded.

Question recurring on the motion for the main question, yeas and nays were demanded.

The motion was lost by the following vote:

Yeas-57

Alexander Blankenship Bond Boyer Bradford Bridgers Callan Celaya

Colquitt Davisson of Eastland Dean Dickison Dollins Gibson Hankamer

Hardin Harris of Dallas Hartzog Heflin Huddleston Jackson James Johnson of Tarrant Jones of Falls Keith Kenyon Lanning Leath Leonard Leyendecker Little London Mann McConnell McCracken McFarland

McKee McKinney MorseNicholson Prescott Reader Reed of Dallas Riddle Ross Schuenemann Settle Shell Smith of Matagorda Stinson Tarwater Tennant Thornton Vale Walker Weldon Winfree

Jones of Wise

Nays—78

Adkins Alsup Amos Baker Bates Beckworth Bell **Boethel** Bradbury Broadfoot Brown Burton Cagle Carssow Cathey Cauthorn Cleveland Davis of Haskell Davis of Jasper Davison of Fisher Patterson Deglandon Derden England Farmer Felty Fielden Fox Graves Hamilton Hanna Harbin Harper Harris of Archer Harris of Dickens Herzik Holland Hoskins Hyder Johnson of Ellis

Jones of Atascosa

Keefe Kelt King Knetsch Langdon Lankford Loggins Lucas Mays McDonald Metcalfe Moffett Monkhouse Morris Newton Oliver Palmer Patterson of Mills of Travis Powell Quinn Reed of Bowie Rhodes Russell Rutta Sewell Sharpe Simpson Skaggs Smith of Hopkins Smith of Tarrant Stocks Talbert Tennyson Thornberry Waggoner Wood

Absent

Harrell Ragsdale
Howard Roark
Hull Stevenson
Jones of Angelina Westbrook
Mauritz Worley
Pope

Absent-Excused

Fuchs Kern Petsch

Mr. Baker moved to table the pending amendment by Mr. Sharpe, as substituted by amendment by Mr. Boyer and Mr. Little.

Question recurring on the motion to table, yeas and nays were demanded.

The roll of the House was called, and the vote announced, as follows:

Yeas, 73; nays, 71.

A verification of the vote was requested.

The roll of the "yeas" and "nays" was again called, and the verified vote resulted as follows:

Yeas-73

Holland Adkins Alsup Huddleston Hyder Amos Baker Jones of Angelina Jones of Wise Bates Beckworth Keefe Kelt Bell King Bradbury Bridgers Knetsch Broadfoot Langdon Brown Lankford Burton Lucas Cagle Mays Cathey McDonald Cauthorn Monkhouse Cleveland Morris Davis of Haskell Newton Davis of Jasper Oliver Davisson Palmer of Eastland Patterson of Mills Patterson of Travis Deglandon Derden England Powell Farmer **Prescott** Quinn Fielden Fox Ragsdale Graves Reed of Bowie Hamilton Rhodes Harbin Roark Hardin Ross Harper Russell Harrell Rutta Sharpe Harris of Archer Harris of Dickens Simpson Herzik Skaggs

Smith of Hopkins Thornberry
Smith of Tarrant Weldon
Talbert

Nays-67

Alexander Little Blankenship Loggins Boethel London Mann Bond Mauritz Boyer Bradford McConnell Callan McCracken Carssow McFarland Celaya McKee McKinney Colquitt Davison of Fisher Metcalfe Dean Moffett Dollins Morse Felty Pope Gibson Reader Hankamer Reed of Dallas Riddle Hanna Harris of Dallas Schuenemann Hartzog Settle Heflin Sewell 1 Hoskins Smith Hull of Matagorda Jackson Stinson James Stocks Johnson of Ellis Tarwater Johnson Tennant of Tarrant Tennyson Jones of Atascosa Thornton Jones of Falls Vale Keith Waggoner Kenyon Walker Lanning Winfree Leath \mathbf{Wood} Leonard Worley Leyendecker

Absent

Dickison Shell
Howard Stevenson
Nicholson Westbrook

Absent—Excused

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Petsch

The Speaker announced that the motion to table prevailed.

Question—Shall the committee amendment be adopted?

AUTHORIZING CERTAIN CORRECTIONS IN SENATE BILL NO. 240

Mr. Walker offered the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 86, Authorizing certain corrections in Senate Bill No. 240.

Whereas, Senate Bill No. 240 has passed the Senate and the House; and

Whereas, Said Senate Bill No. 240 was amended in the House, but the caption was not amended to conform; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the Enrolling Clerk of the Senate be authorized to amend the caption of said Senate Bill No. 240 to conform to the amendments.

The resolution was read second time, and was adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Austin, Texas, April 5, 1937. Hon. R. W. Calvert, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed the following:

H. B. No. 359, A bill to be entitled "An Act giving to W. N. Smith for himself, and as next friend of Carl Smith, minor, of Chambers County, Texas, consent of the Legislature to file and prosecute a suit against the State of Texas, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 593, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the office of Criminal District Attorney in certain counties, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 443, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a Special Road Law for Waller County, Texas, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,
BOB BARKER,
Secretary of the Senate.

SENATE BILL ON FIRST READING

The following Senate bill, received from the Senate today, was laid before the House, read first time, and referred to the appropriate committee, as follows:

Senate Bill No. 443, to the Committee on Highways and Motor Traffic.

RECESS

On motion of Mr. Blankenship, the House, at 12:20 o'clock p. m., took recess until 2:30 o'clock p. m., today. of the total amount of gas produced

AFTERNOON SESSION

The House met at 2:30 o'clock p. m., and was called to order by the Speaker.

HOUSE BILL NO. 198 ON PASSAGE TO ENGROSSMENT

The House resumed consideration of pending business, same being House Bill No. 198, concerning the levy of certain tax on natural gas, on its passage to engrossment.

The bill having heretofore been read second time, with committee amendment, offered by Mr. Derden, pending.

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Mr. Baker offered the following amendment to the committee amendment:

Amend committee amendment No. 1, by striking out the whole of Section 1, same being from line 22 on page 1 of said bill through line 31 on page 2 of said bill, and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"Sec. 1 (a). Section 3 of Chapter 73, Acts of the Regular Session of the Forty-second Legislature, as amended by Section 8 of House Bill No. 8, Acts of the Forty-fourth Legislature, Third Called Session, be, and the same is hereby amended so as to

hereafter read as follows: "Sec. 3. Each and every person, partnership \mathbf{or} corporation owns, controls, manages, leases or operates any natural gas well or natural gas pipe line or produces, distributes, imports or exports any natural gas shall make monthly on or before the 25th day of each month of each year a report to the Comptroller of Public Accounts, sworn to by such person before an official authorized to administer oaths in this State, or if such person be other than an individual sworn to by its president, secretary or other duly authorized official on such forms as said Comptroller shall prescribe, showing the total amount of natural gas produced and saved within this State, the amount of natural gas exported from the State and the amount of natural gas imported into the State and the amount sold during such month, and at the time of making said report shall pay to the Treasurer of the State of Texas an occupation tax for said month equivaand saved within this State and a transaction tax of two (2%) per cent per thousand cubic feet on each successive sale of natural gas in intra-state commerce within this State. In case such company or person should import gas into this State, the two per cent (2%) per thousand cubic feet shall be paid on each successive sale in intrastate commerce. If for any reason the Comptroller of Public Accounts is not satisfied with any report so received, he may require additional or supplemental reports containing information and data upon such matters as he may deem necessary to ascertain the true and correct amount of tax due from such person or concern, which additional or supplemental report shall be made under oath as provided above; pro-vided further that should any item of tax as fixed herein, be declared unconstitutional it is the intent of the Legislature that each and every other item of the same would have been imposed irrespective of any other item herein; provided further that the taxes levied herein shall be in lieu of the gross receipts taxes now paid by those persons, associations and corporations engaged in producing, transporting, buying and selling natural gas, by virtue of Article 7060, R. C. S. of 1925 as amended."

BAKER, RAGSDALE, BATES, JONES of Angelina, BECKWORTH, AMOS.

Mr. Quinn offered the following substitute for the amendment by Mr. Baker:

Amend the amendment to House Bill No. 198, by striking out the whole of Section 1 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"Section 1. Each and every person, partnership or corporation who owns, controls, manages, leases or operates any natural gas well or natural gas pipe line or produces, distributes, imports or exports any natural gas shall make monthly on or before the 25th day of each month of each year a report to the Comptroller of Public Accounts, sworn to by such person before an official authorized to administer oaths in this State, or if such person be other than an individual sworn to by its president, secretary or other duly authorized offi-

cial on such forms as said Comptroller shall prescribe, showing the total amount of natural gas produced and saved within this State, the amount of natural gas exported from the State and the amount of natural gas imported into the State and the amount sold during such month, and at the time of making said report shall pay to the Treasurer of the State of Texas an occupation tax for said month of one-fourth of one cent (1/4c) per thousand cubic feet on all the gas produced and saved within this State and one-fourth cent (1/4c) per thousand cubic feet on each successive sale of natural gas within this State. In case such company or person should import gas into this State, the one-fourth cent (1/4c) per thousand cubic feet shall be paid on each successive sale in intrastate commerce. If for any reason the Comptroller of Public Accounts is not satisfied with any report so received, he may require additional or supplemental reports containing information and data upon such matters as he may deem necessary to ascertain the true and correct amount of tax due from such person or concern, which additional or supplemental report shall be made under oath as above provided; said tax shall be divided as follows: onefourth to be placed by the State Treasury in the Public School Fund, one-fourth to be placed in the Old Age Pension Fund and one-half to be placed in the General Fund, provided no tax shall be required from the producer of oil or natural gas used as fuel in drilling new wells or working over old wells.

Mr. Mays moved to postpone further consideration of House Bill No. 198 until 10:00 o'clock a. m., next Friday.

Mr. Brown moved to table the motion to postpone the bill.

Question recurring on the motion to table, yeas and nays were demanded.

The motion to table was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—56

Alsup	Brown
Amos	Burton
Baker	Cagle
Bell	Cauthorn
Boethel	Cleveland
Bond	Deglandon
Bridgers	Derden
Broadfoot	England

Felty Morris Fuchs Newton Graves Oliver Hamilton Palmer Harrell Patterson Harris of Archer of Travis Harris of Dickens Powell Herzik Quinn Holland Ragsdale James Reed of Bowie Jones of Angelina Russell Jones of Wise Sharpe Keefe Simpson \mathbf{Kelt} Skaggs King Smith of Hopkins Knetsch Stocks Tennant Langdon Lankford Thornberry Waggoner Lucas

Nays-66

Weldon

Lanning

Leonard

Loggins

McConnell

Leyendecker

Leath

Little

Mann Mauritz

Mays

Bates Beckworth Blankenship Boyer Bradbury Callan Carssow Cathev Celaya Colquitt Davis of Jasper Dickison Dollins Farmer Fielden Gibson Hankamer Hanna Harbin Hardin Harris of Dallas Hartzog Heflin Hoskins Huddleston Hull Hyder Johnson of Ellis Johnson of Tarrant

Jones of Atascosa

Jones of Falls

Keith

Kenyon

McDonald

Metcalfe

McCracken McFarland McKinney Moffett Morse Nicholson **Prescott** Reader Reed of Dallas Riddle Roark Schuenemann Settle Shell Smith of Matagorda Smith of Tarrant Stevenson Talbert Tarwater Vale Walker Wood Worley

Absent

Davisson Adkins of Eastland Alexander Dean Bradford Fox Davis of Haskell Davison of Fisher Harper

Howard Ross Jackson Rutta London Sewell McKee Stinson Monkhouse Tennyson Patterson of Mills Thornton Westbrook Pope Rhodes Winfree

Absent-Excused

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Mr. Hardin moved the previous question on the motion to postpone, the pending amendments, and the engrossment of House Bill No. 198, and the motion was duly seconded.

Question recurring on the motion for the main question, it was lost.

Mr. Harris of Dickens moved to postpone further consideration of House Bill No. 198 until 10:00 o'clock a. m., tomorrow.

Mr. Jones of Wise moved the previous question on the motions to post-pone, and the main question was ordered.

Question recurring on the substitute motion by Mr. Harris of Dickens, yeas and nays were demanded.

The roll of the House was called, and the vote announced as follows: Yeas, 71; nays, 77.

A verification of the vote was requested.

The roll of the "yeas" and "nays" was again called, and the verified vote resulted as follows:

Yeas-65

Holland Beckworth Huddleston Blankenship Hull Bover Bradford Hyder Jackson Carssow James Celaya Johnson of Ellis Colquitt Davisson Keith Kenyon King of Eastland Dean Deglandon Lanning Dickison Leonard Leyendecker Felty Fuchs Little Loggins Gibson Lucas Hankamer Mann Harbin McCracken Harrell Harris of Dallas McFarland Harris of Dickens McKee Hartzog McKinney Morse Heflin

Nicholson Stevenson Stinson Oliver Prescott Tarwater Reed of Dallas Thornton Vale Riddle Walker Roark Weldon Russell Schuenemann Westbrook Winfree Shell Wood Simpson Worley Smith of Matagorda

Maragorda

Nays-74

Jones of Wise Adkins Alexander Keefe Alsup Kelt Knetsch Amos Baker Langdon Lankford Bates Bell London Boethel Mauritz Mays Bond McConnell Bradbury Bridgers McDonald Metcalfe **Broadfoot** Moffett Brown Morris Burton Newton Cagle Callan Palmer Patterson of Mills

Cathey Cauthorn Patterson of Travis Cleveland Davis of Haskell Powell Davis of Jasper Quinn Ragsdale Davison of Fisher Reader Derden Reed of Bowie England Rhodes Fielden Fox Ross Graves Rutta Hamilton Settle Sharpe Hanna Hardin

Skaggs Smith of Hopkins Harper Harris of Archer Smith of Tarrant Herzik Stocks Hoskins Talbert Johnson Tennant of Tarrant Tennyson Jones of Angelina Thornberry Jones of Atascosa Waggoner

Absent

Dollins Leath
Farmer Monkhouse
Howard Pope
Jones of Falls Sewell

Absent—Excused

Kern Petsch
The Speaker announced that the substitute motion by Mr. Harris of Dickens was lost.

Question recurring on the motion to postpone further consideration of House Bill No. 198 until next Friday at 10:00 o'clock a. m., yeas and nays were demanded.

The roll of the House was called, and the vote announced as follows: Yeas, 68; nays, 69.

A verification of the vote was requested.

The roll of the "yeas" and "nays" was again called, and the verified vote resulted as follows:

Yeas—68

Jones of Atascosa Adkins Alexander Keith Alsup Kelt Beckworth Kenyon Blankenship Lanning Boyer Leonard Bradford Leyendecker Callan Little Carssow Loggins London Cathey Celaya Mays Colquitt McConnell Davis of Jasper McCracken McDonald Davisson of Eastland McFarland Dean McKee McKinney Dickison Felty Morse Fielden Nicholson Gibson Prescott Hankamer Reed of Dallas Hanna Riddle Schuenemann Harbin Harrell Settle Harris of Dallas Shell Harris of Dickens Smith Hartzog of Matagorda Heflin Stevenson Huddleston Stinson Hull Tarwater

Nays—71

Thornton

Waggoner

Winfree

Worley

Vale

Hyder

James

Jackson

Johnson

Johnson of Ellis

of Tarrant

Cagle Amos Baker Cauthorn Bates Cleveland Bell Davis of Haskell Boethel Davison of Fisher Bond Deglandon Bradbury Derden Bridgers **Dollins** Broadfoot England Brown Fox **Fuchs** Burton

Graves Powell Hamilton Quinn Ragsdale Hardin Harper Reader Harris of Archer Reed of Bowie Rhodes Herzik Holland Roark Hoskins Ross Jones of Angelina Russell Jones of Wise Rutta Keefe Sharpe King Simpson Knetsch Skaggs Langdon Smith of Hopkins Lankford Smith of Tarrant Lucas Stocks Mauritz Talbert Metcalfe Tennant Moffett Tennyson Morris Thornberry Newton Walker Oliver Weldon Palmer Westbrook Patterson of Mills Wood Patterson of Travis

Absent

Farmer Howard Jones of Falls Leath Mann Monkhouse Pope Sewell

Absent-Excused

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The Speaker announced that the motion to postpone the bill was lost.

Mr. Wood moved to reconsider the vote by which the motion to postpone further consideration of House Bill No. 198, until next Friday at 10:00 o'clock a. m., was lost.

Mr. Jones of Wise moved to table the motion to reconsider.

Question recurring on the motion to table, yeas and nays were demanded.

The motion to table prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas-74

Adkins Cagle Cauthorn Alsup Amos Cleveland Davis of Haskell Davis of Jasper Baker Bates Bell Davison of Fisher Deglandon Bond Bradbury Derden Dollins Bridgers Broadfoct England Brown Fox Graves Burton

Hamilton Patterson of Mills Harbin Patterson Hardin of Travis Harper Powell Harrell Quinn Harris of Archer Ragsdale Heflin Reader Herzik Reed of Bowie Holland Roark Jones of Angelina Jones of Wise Ross Russell Kelt Rutta King Sewell Knetsch Sharpe Langdon Simpson Skaggs Smith of Hopkins Lankford Lucas Mauritz Smith of Tarrant McDonald Stocks McKee Talbert Metcalfe Tennant Moffett Tennyson Morris Thornberry Newton Weldon Westbrock Oliver Palmer

Nays-62

Alexander Kenyon Blankenship Lanning Boethel Leath Boyer Leonard Bradford Leyendecker Callan Little Carssow Loggins London Cathey Celaya McConnell Davisson McCracken of Eastland McFarland Dean McKinney Dickison Morse Felty Nicholson Fielden Prescott Reed of Dallas Fuchs Gibson Riddle Hankamer Schuenemann Settle Hanna Harris of Dallas Shell Harris of Dickens Smith of Matagorda Hartzog Stevenson Hoskins Huddleston Stinson Hull Tarwater^{*} Hyder Thornton Vale Jackson James Waggoner Johnson of Ellis Walker Winfree Johnson of Tarrant Wood Jones of Atascosa Worley Keith

Present-Not Voting

Beckworth

Mann

Absent

Colquitt
Farmer
Howard
Jones of Falls

Mays Monkhouse Pope

Pope Rhodes

Keefe

Absent-Excused

Kern

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Mr. Lanning moved to table the substitute amendment by Mr. Quinn.

The motion to table prevailed.

Mr. Sharpe offered the following substitute for the amendment by Mr. Baker:

Amend House Bill No. 198, by striking out "one fourth per cent" and writing in lieu thereof "5½%".

Mr. Ragsdale moved the previous question on the pending amendments, and the engrossment of House Bill No. 198, and the motion was duly seconded.

Question recurring on the motion for the main question, it was lost.

Mr. Bell raised a point of order, on further consideration of the amendment by Mr. Sharpe, on the ground that same is not a proper substitute and seeks to strike out matter not contained in the committee amendment.

The Speaker sustained the point of

order.
Mr. Beckworth moved the previous questions on the pending amendments and passage of House Bill No. 198 to engrossment, and the motion was

duly seconded.

Question recurring on the motion for the main question, it was lost.

Mr. Boyer offered the following substitute for the amendment by Mr. Baker:

Amend committee amendment to House Bill No. 198, by striking out the words and figures "one-fourth of one cent (1c) per thousand cubic feet of gas produced and saved within this State, or sold, if imported into this State," wherever said words and figures appear, and insert in lieu thereof the following: "A tax equivalent to four per cent (4%) of the market value of the total amount of gas produced and saved within this State, or sold, if imported into this State, at the actual market value thereof, as and when produced."

BOYER, WORLEY, LITTIE, LANNING. Mr. Jones of Wise raised a point of order, on further consideration of the amendment, on the ground that same is not a proper substitute for the amendment offered by Mr. Baker.

The Speaker overruled the point of order.

(Pending consideration of the amendment, Mr. Jones of Wise occupied the Chair temporarily.)

(Speaker in the Chair.)

Mr. Baker moved to table the substitute amendment by Mr. Boyer.

Question recurring on the motion to table, yeas and nays were demanded.

The motion to table was lost by the following vote:

Yeas-61

Jones of Wise Alsup Keefe King Amos Baker Langdon Bates Beckworth Lankford Bell Lucas Mays Bridgers Broadfoot McDonald Brown Metcalfe Burton Morris Cathey Newton Cauthorn Oliver Cleveland Palmer Davis of Haskell Patterson of Mills Davis of Jasper Patterson Deglandon of Travis Powell Derden Dollins Prescott England Quinn Farmer Ragsdale Fielden Reed of Bowie Fuchs Rhodes Graves Roark Hamilton Ross Harbin Rutta Harrell Sewell Harris of Archer Simpson Herzik Skargs Holland Smith of Hopkins Huddleston Stocks Jones of Angelina Weldon

Nays-72

Alexander Celaya Blankenship Davison of Fisher **Boethel** Davisson Bond of Eastland Rover Dean Bradbury Dickison Bradford Felty Callan Gibson Carssow Hankamer

Hanna	M-W13
	McFarland May
Hardin	McKee
Harris of Dallas	McKinney
Harris of Dickens	Moffett
Hartzog	Morse
<u>H</u> oskins	Nicholson
Hyder	Reader
Jackson	Reed of Dallas
James	Riddle
Johnson of Ellis	Russell
Johnson	Schuenemann
of Tarrant	Settle
Jones of Atascosa	Sharpe
Keith	Shell
Kelt	Stevenson
Kenyon	Stinson
Knetsch	Talbert
Lanning	Tarwater
Leath	Tennant
Leonard	Tennyson
Leyendecker	Thornberry
Little	Thornton
Loggins	Vale
London	Waggoner
Mann	Walker
Mauritz	Winfree
McConnell	Wood
McCracken	Worley
MCCIACREM	WOLLEY
Present_	Not Voting

Present—Not Voting

Adkińs

Absent

Cagle	Jones of Falls
Colquitt	Monkhouse
Fox	Pope
Harper	Smith
Heflin	of Matagorda
Howard	Smith of Tarrant
Hull	Westbrook

Absent—Excused

Kern

Petsch

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Mr. Adkins (present), who would vote "yea", with Mr. Jones of Falls (absent), who would vote "nay".

Question recurring on the substitute amendment by Mr. Boyer, yeas and nays were demanded.

The amendment was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—76

Alexander	Celaya
Blankenship	Colquitt
Boethel	Davison of Fisher
Bond	Davisson
Boyer	of Eastland
Bradbury	Dean
Bradford	Dickison
Callan	Felty
Carssow	Gibson

Hankamer Hanna	McKee McKinney
Hardin	McKinney
	Moffett
Harris of Dallas	Monkhouse
Harris of Dickens	Morse
Hartzog	Nicholson
Hoskins	Reader
Hyder	Reed of Dallas
Jackson	Riddle
James	Roark
Johnson of Ellis	Russell
Johnson	Schuenemann
of Tarrant	Settle
Jones of Atascosa	Shell
Keith	Smith
Kelt	of Matagorda
Kenyon	Stevenson
King	Stinson
Knetsch	Talbert
Lanning	Tarwater
Leath	Tennant
Leonard	Tennyson
Leyendecker	Thornberry
Little	Thornton
Loggins	Vale
London	Waggoner
Mann	Walker
Mauritz	Winfree
McConnell	Wood
McCracken	Worley
McFarland	

Nays-60

	Alsup Amos Baker Bates Beckworth Bell Bridgers Broadfoot Brown Burton Cathey Cauthorn Cleveland Davis of Haskell Davis of Jasper Deglandon Derden Dollins	Jones of Wise Keefe Langdon Lankford Lucas Mays McDonald Metcalfe Morris Newton Oliver Palmer Patterson of Mills Patterson of Travis Powell Prescott Quinn
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	England	Ragsdale
	Farmer	Reed of Bowie
	<u>Fielden</u>	Rhodes
	Fuchs	Ross
	Graves	Rutta
	Hamilton	Sewell
	<u>H</u> arbin	Sharpe
	Harrell	Simpson
	Harris of Archer	Skaggs
	Herzik	Smith of Hopkins
	Holland	Stocks
	Huddleston	Weldon
	Jones of Angelina	

Present-Not Voting

Adkins

Absent

Cagle Hull

Jones of Falls Fox

Harper Pope

Smith of Tarrant Heflin Westbrook Howard

Absent—Excused

Kern

Petsch

PAIRED

Mr. Adkins (present), who would vote "nay", with Mr. Jones of Falls (absent), who would vote "yea".

Question recurring on the amendment to the amendment, as substituted, it was adopted.

Mr. Boyer moved to reconsider the vote by which the amendment, as substituted, was adopted, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

Mr. Reader moved the previous question on the committee amendment, and the engrossment of House Bill No. 198, and the main question was ordered.

Question recurring on the committee as amended, it was amendment,

By unanimous consent of the House, the caption of the bill was ordered amended to conform to all changes and with the body of the bill.

Mr. Quinn asked unanimous consent of the House that the word "natural' be inserted before the word "gas' wherever it appears in the bill.

There was no objection offered, and it was so ordered.

House Bill No. 198 was then passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 198 ON THIRD READING

Mr. Quinn moved that the constitutional rule, requiring bills to be read on three several days, be suspended, and that House Bill No. 198 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas-136

Bell Alexander Blankenship Alsup Amos Boethel Baker Bond Boyer Bates Beckworth Bradbury

Bradford Broadfoot Brown Burton Callan Carssow Cauthorn Celaya Cleveland Colquitt Davis of Haskell

Davis of Jasper Davisson of Eastland

Dean Deglandon Derden Dickison Dollins England

Farmer Felty Fielden Fox Fuchs Gibson Graves Hamilton Hankamer Hanna Harbin Hardin

Harper

Harrell Harris of Archer Harris of Dallas Harris of Dickens Hartzog

Herzik Holland Hoskins Huddleston Hyder Jackson James

Johnson of Ellis Johnson

of Tarrant Jones of Angelina Jones of Atascosa Jones of Wise Keefe

Keith Kelt Kenyon King Knetsch Langdon Lankford Lanning Leath Leonard Leyendecker

Little

Loggins London Lucas Mann Mauritz Mays McConnell McCracken McDonald McFarland McKee McKinney Metcalfe Moffett Monkhouse Morris Morse Newton Nicholson Oliver

Palmer Patterson of Mills Patterson

of Travis Powell Prescott Quinn Ragsdale Reader

Reed of Bowie Reed of Dallas Rhodes

Riddle Roark Ross Russell Rutta Schuenemann

Settle Sewell Sharpe Shell Simpson Skaggs

Smith of Hopkins Smith of Tarrant

Stevenson Stinson Stocks Talbert Tarwater Tennant Tennyson Thornberry Thornton Vale

Waggoner Walker Weldon Westbrook Winfree Wood Worley

Absent

Adkins Bridgers Cagle Cathey Howard Hull Jones of Falls

Cathey Pope Davison of Fisher Smith

Heflin

of Matagorda

Absent-Excused

Kern

Petsch

The Speaker then laid House Bill No. 198 before the House on third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time.

Mr. Reader moved the previous question on the final passage of House Bill No. 198, and the main question was ordered.

House Bill No. 198 was then passed by the following vote:

Yeas-138

Adkins Gibson Alexander Graves Alsup Hamilton Amos Hankamer Baker Hanna Bates Harbin Beckworth Hardin Bell Harper Blankenship Harrell Harris of Archer Harris of Dallas Boethel Bond Boyer Harris of Dickens Bradbury Hartzog Bradford Herzik **Bridgers** Holland Broadfoot Hoskins Brown Hull Burton Hyder Callan Jackson Carssow James Cathey Johnson of Ellis Cauthorn Johnson Celaya of Tarrant Jones of Angelina Jones of Atascosa Cleveland Colquitt Davis of Haskell Jones of Wise Davis of Jasper Keefe Keith Davisson of Eastland Kelt King Deglandon Knetsch Derden Dickison Langdon Dollins Lankford Lanning England Leath Farmer Felty Fielden Leonard Leyendecker Little Fox **Fuchs** Loggins

London Roark Lucas Ross Mann Russell Mauritz Rutta Mays Schuenemann McConnell Settle McCracken Sewell McDonald Sharpe McFarland Shell McKee Simpson McKinney Skaggs Metcalfe Smith of Hopkins Moffett Smith of Matagorda Monkhouse Morris Smith of Tarrant Morse Stevenson Newton Stinson Nicholson Stocks Oliver Talbert Patterson of Mills Tarwater Patterson Tennant of Travis Tennyson Pope Thornberry Thornton Powell Prescott Vale Quinn Ragsdale Waggoner Walker Reader Weldon Reed of Bowie Westbrook Reed of Dallas Winfree Rhodes \mathbf{W} ood Riddle Worley

Nays-2

Dean

Kenyon

Absent

Cagle Davison of Fisher Heflin

Huddleston Jones of Falls

Palmer

Howard

Absent—Excused

Kern

Petsch

HOUSE BILL NO. 600 ON SECOND READING

Mr. Simpson moved that the regular order of business be suspended, to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 600, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 350, Acts of Forty-fourth Legislature, being the Rural Aid Appropriation, by providing additional appropriation for carrying out provisions of said Act, repealing all conflicting laws, and declaring an emergency."

The motion prevailed by the follow-

ling vote:

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Adkins	King
Alexander	Langdon
Alsup	Lankford
Amos	Lanning
Baker	Leath
Bates	Loggins
Beckworth	London
Bell	Lucas
Boethel	Mann
Bond	Mauritz
Boyer	Mays
Bradbury	McConnell
Bridgers	McDonald

McFarland

Monkhouse

Patterson of Mills

of Travis

Reed of Bowie Reed of Dallas

Metcalfe

Moffett

Morris

Morse

Oliver

Pope

Powell

Quinn

Reader

Rhodes

Roark

Russell

Settle

Sewell

Sharpe

Skaggs

Smith

Stinson

Stocks

Talbert

Tennant

Tennyson

Thornton

Waggoner

Westbrook

Walker

Weldon

Wood

Worley

Vale

Thornberry

Simpson

Smith of Hopkins

of Matagorda

Ross

Prescott

Ragsdale

Newton

Yeas-112

Broadfoot Brown Burton Callan Celaya Cathey Cleveland Davis of Haskell Davis of Jasper

Davison of Fisher Patterson Davisson of Eastland

Deglandon Derden Dickison Dollins England Farmer Fielden Fox

Fuchs Gibson Hamilton Hanna Harbin Hardin Harper Harrell

Harris of Archer Harris of Dallas Harris of Dickens Herzik

Holland Huddleston Hyder James Johnson of Ellis Johnson

of Tarrant Jones of Angelina Jones of Atascosa Jones of Wise Keefe Keith Kelt

Nays-24

Blankenship Carssow Bradford Cauthorn

Colquitt Leonard Leyendecker McKee Dean Felty McKinney Graves Hankamer Nicholson Riddle Hartzog Hoskins Rutta Jackson Schuenemann Shell Kenyon Tarwater Knetsch

Absent

Cagle McCracken Heflin Palmer Smith of Tarrant Howard Hull Stevenson Jones of Falls Winfree Little

Absent—Excused

Kern

Petsch

The Speaker then laid the bill before the House, and it was read second time.

Question-Shall House Bill No. 600 pass to engrossment?

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Austin, Texas, April 5, 1937. Hon. R. W. Calvert, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed

H. C. R. No. 86, Authorizing the Enrolling Clerk of the Senate to amend the caption of Senate Bill No. 240.

> Respectfully, BOB BARKER, Secretary of the Senate.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER

The Speaker signed, in the presence of the House, after giving due notice thereof, and their captions had been read severally, the following enrolled bills

S. B. No. 422, "An Act amending Section 8 of Chapter 163, Acts of the Regular Session of the Forty-second Legislature; validating specified actions heretofore taken by counties, cities and towns in issuing funding and refunding securities in attempted compliance with said Chapter; vali-dating such securities issued thereunder, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 359, "An Act giving to W. N. Smith, for himself, and as next friend of Carl Smith, minor, of Chambers County, Texas, consent of the Legislature to file and prosecute a suit against the State of Texas and/or the State Highway Commission in a court of competent jurisdiction in order to determine what compensation, if any, he, the said W. N. Smith, as father of said Carl Smith, are entitled to receive by reason of injury sustained by said Carl Smith, minor, while an employee of the State Highway Commission, and providing that the State and/or said Commission may appeal from said judgment as provided by law without executing any bond, and upon final judgment being recovered against the State and/or State Highway Commission, the same shall be paid out of the State Highway funds, and providing that service in said cause shall be had by citing the Chairman of the Highway Commission, and the Attorney General, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 593, "An Act creating the office of Criminal District Attorney in all counties having a population of not less than 75,001 nor more than 77,100, and not containing a city of more than 40,000 inhabitants as determined by the last preceding Federal Census, and in which counties there are one or more Judicial Districts and, in which the County Attorney performs the duties of County Attorney and District Attorney, and in which there is not now a District Attorney; providing that the present County Attorney in those counties shall qualify as Criminal District Attorney, remain in office for the period such officer would have held his office as County Attorney had this Act not been passed; . . . etc., and declaring an emergency."

RESOLUTION SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER

The Speaker signed, in the presence of the House, after giving due notice thereof, and its caption had been read, the following enrolled resolution:

H. C. R. No. 86, Authorizing the Enrolling Clerk of the Senate to amend the caption of Senate Bill No. 240.

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Mr. McKee moved that the House adjourn until 10:00 o'clock a. m., tomorrow.

Mr. Brown moved that the House Fox recess until 7:30 o'clock p. m., today. Fuchs

Mr. Leonard moved that the House recess until 10:00 o'clock a. m., to-morrow.

Question recurring on the motion to adjourn until 10:00 o'clock a. m., to-morrow, yeas and nays were demanded.

The motion was lost by the following vote:

Yeas-47

Mauritz Blankenship McConnell Boethel McCracken Bond McFarland Boyer McKee Carssow McKinney Cathey Morse Cauthorn Nicholson Celaya Patterson of Travis Colquitt Davis of Jasper Pope Dean Powell Deglandon Reed of Dallas Dollins Riddle Graves Schuenemann Hankamer Hartzog Shell Smith Hoskins of Matagorda Jackson Stevenson **Johnson** of Tarrant Stinson Tarwater Jones of Atascosa Thornberry Kenyon Knetsch Thornton Walker Little Wood London

Nays—90

Adkins Gibson Hamilton Alexander Hanna Alsup Harbin Amos Hardin Baker Harper Bates Harrell Beckworth Harris of Archer Bell Harris of Dallas Bradbury Harris of Dickens Bridgers Heflin Broadfoot Herzik Brown Holland Burton Huddleston Callan Hyder Cleveland Davis of Haskell James Johnson of Ellis Jones of Angelina Davison of Fisher Davisson Jones of Wise of Eastland Keefe Derden Keith Dickison Kelt Farmer King Felty Langdon Fielden

Lankford Lanning

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Leonard	Rhodes
Leyendecker	Roark
Loggins	Ross
Lucas	Russell
Mann	Rutta
Mays	Settle
McDonald	Sewell
Metcalfe	Sharpe
Moffett	Simpson
Monkhouse	Skaggs
Morris	Smith of Hopkins
Newton	Stocks
Oliver	Talbert
Palmer	Tennant
Patterson of Mills	Tennyson
Prescott	Waggoner
Quinn	Weldon
Ragsdale	Westbrook
Reader	Winfree
Reed of Bowie	
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Absent

Jones of Falls
Leath
Smith of Tarrant
Vale
Worley

Absent—Excused

Kern

Petsch

Question then recurring on the motion to recess until 7:30 o'clock p. m., today, it was lost.

Question recurring on the motion to recess until 10:00 o'clock a. m., tomorrow, yeas and nays were demanded.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas-71

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Alexander Blankenship	Harris of Archer Harris of Dallas
Boethel	Hartzog
Bond	Hoskins
Boyer	Hyder
Bridgers	Jackson
Brown	James
Burton	Johnson
Carssow	of Tarrant
Cathey	Jones of Atascosa
Cauthorn	Keefe
Davis of Haskell	Keith
Davisson	Kelt
of Eastland	Kenyon
Dean	Knetsch
Deglandon	Leonard
Dollins	Leyendecker
Felty	Little
Fuchs	Mann
Gibson	Mauritz
Graves	Mays
Hankamer	McConnell
Hanna	McCracken

McFarland McKinney Metcalfe Morse Nicholson Oliver Palmer Patterson of Travis Pope Quinn Reader Reed of Dallas Riddle	Rutta Settle Sewell Sewell Smith of Matagorda Stevenson Stinson Stocks Tarwater Thornton Waggoner Walker Westbrook Wood
Riddle Ross	Wood
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Nays--65

Adkins	Lanning
Alsup	Leath
Amos	Loggins
Baker	London
Bates	Lucas
Beckworth	McDonald
Bell	McKee
Bradbury	Moffett
Broadfoot	Monkhouse
Callan	Morris
Cleveland	Newton
Colquitt	Patterson of Mills
Derden	Powell
Dickison	Prescott
England	Ragsdale
Farmer	Reed of Bowie
Fielden	Rhodes
\mathbf{Fox}	Roark
Hamilton	Russell
Harbi n	Schuenemann
Hardin	Sharpe
Harper	Shell
Harrell	Simpson
Harris of Dickens	Skaggs
Herzik	Smith of Hopkins
Holland	Talbert
Huddleston	Tennant
Johnson of Ellis	Tennyson
Jones of Angelina	Thornberry
Jones of Wise	Weldon
King	Winfree
Langdon	Worley
Lankford	-

Absent

Bradford	Howard
Cagle	Hull
Celaya	Jones of Falls
Davis of Jasper	Smith of Tarrant
Davison of Fisher	Vale
Heflin	

Absent—Excused

Kern

Petsch

The House, accordingly, at 5:25 o'clock p. m., took recess until 10:00 o'clock a. m., tomorrow.

APPENDIX

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following committees have filed favorable reports on bills, as follows:

Counties: House Bills Nos. 998 and 1057.

Liquor Traffic: House Bill No. 5.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ENGROSSED BILLS

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, April 2, 1937.
Hon. R. W. Calvert, Speaker of the
House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. C. R. No. 84, Appointing a committee each of three (3) Members to confer with the Land Commissioner, Executive Secretary of the Game, Fish, and Oyster Commission, the President of the State Board of Texas, to obtain the facts and information necessary to determine what the future policy of the State should be with reference to stopping or continuing its policy with reference to the leasing of said land and the drilling of said wells and to make report back to the Legislature of the findings and recommendations of such committee on or before April 20, 1937.

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

ON ENROLLED BILLS

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, April 5, 1937. Hon. R. W. Calvert, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. C. R. No. 86, Authorizing the Enrolling Clerk of the Senate to amend the caption of Senate Bill No. 240

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly enrolled.

HERZIK, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, April 5, 1937. Hon. R. W. Calvert, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 359, "An Act giving to W. N. Smith, for himself, and as next friend of Carl Smith, minor, of Chambers County, Texas, consent of the Legislature to file and prosecute a suit against the State of Texas and/or the State Highway Commission in a Court of competent jurisdiction in order to determine what compensation, if any, he, the said W. N. Smith, as father of said Carl Smith, is entitled to receive by reason of injury sustained by said Carl Smith, minor, while an employee of the State Highway Commission; providing that the State and/or said Commission may appeal from said judgment as provided by law without executing any bond, and upon final judgment being recovered against the State and/or State Highway Commission, the same shall be paid out of the State Highway funds; providing that service in said cause shall be had by citing the Chairman of the Highway Commission and Attorney General, and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly enrolled.

HERZIK, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, April 5, 1937. Hon. R. W. Calvert, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 593, "An Act creating the office of Criminal District Attorney in all counties having a population of not less than seventy-five thousand and one (75,001) nor more than seventy-seven thousand, one hundred ((77,100), and not containing a city of more than forty thousand (49,000) inhabitants, as determined by the last preceding Federal Census, and in which counties there are one or more Judicial Districts, and in counties of this State having a population of not less than thirty thousand, nine hundred (30,900), and not more than thirty thousand, nine hundred and fifty (30,950) inhabitants, as determined by the last preceding Federal Census, and in which the County Attorney performs the duties of County Attorney and District Attorney, and

in which there is not now a District Attorney; providing that the present County Attorney in those counties shall qualify as Criminal District Attorney, remaining in office for the period such officer would have held his office as County Attorney had this Act not been passed; providing that such officer shall take the oath and give the bond required of Dis-trict Attorneys by the Constitution and Laws of this State; providing that such Criminal District Attorney shall have and exercise all powers, duties, and privileges within such county as are by law conferred, or which may hereafter be conferred upon District and County Attorneys, and providing the compensation for such officer; providing for the appointment of assistants, deputies, and clerks; fixing their powers, duties, and compensa-tion; providing for the election of a Criminal District Attorney in each county; providing this Act shall be cumulative of all other laws, and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly enrolled.

HERZIK, Chairman.

FORTY-SEVENTH DAY

(Continued)

(Tuesday, April 6, 1937)

The House met at 10:00 o'clock a. m., and was called to order by Speaker Calvert.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE GRANTED

(By unanimous consent)

Mr. Howard was granted leave of absence for today, on account of illness, on motion of Mr. Morse.

EXPRESSING CONDOLENCE TO THE SURVIVORS OF THE NEW LONDON, TEXAS, SCHOOL DISASTER

The Speaker laid before the House, and had read the following resolution, adopted by the Ninety-sec-Assembly, General Regular Session, 1937-1938, of the State of Ohio:

92nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY REGULAR SESSION 1937-1938

S. R. No. 64

Mr. Baumhart A Resolution

Expressing condolence to the survivors of the New London, Texas, school disaster.

Whereas, The magnitude of the recent school disaster at New London, Texas, shocked the entire nation; and Whereas, The brief and sorrow of

the parents and survivors of this catastrophe is unparalelled in history;

therefore, be it Resolved, That the Senate of the Ohio General Assembly express their deep sympathy to the survivors of the New London school disaster; and, be it further

Resolved, That a copy of the resolu-tion be forwarded by the Clerk of the Serate to the Governor of Texas, and to the Clerk of the Senate and House of the Texas Legislature.

Adopted by the Senate, March 25, 1937.

(Signed)

Dayton Matebelle, Clerk.

HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING

The following House bills, introduced today, were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

By Mr. Mauritz: H. B. No. 1063, A bill to be entitled "An Act declaring it unlawful to hunt, trap, shoot or kill any wild deer within the limits of Jackson and Wharton Counties, Texas, for a period of five years; providing a penalty for the violation of the provisions of this Act; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to the Committee on Game and Fisheries.

By Mr. Talbert: H. B. No. 1070, A bill to be entitled "An Act declaring it unlawful to take, hunt, trap, shoot or kill any wild pheasant in Smith County, Texas, for a period of three years; prescribing penalty for the violation of the provisions of this Act; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to the Committee on Game and Fisheries.